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Program cut

FMHS students voice concerns over credit incentive cut

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Apr. 7 has a new deadline

Due to Good Friday, our deadline for next edition is March 31 at 5 p.m.



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BUNNIES VISIT THE PARENT LINK CENTRE



Marta Lulla Western Review

Matthew Heywood was at the Evergreen Parent Link Centre last week along with many other children taking their time to pet and feed two bunnies that kept the children and adults occupied. There were many other activities arranged letting children take turns and check out all the stations.

Bright Easter Wishes

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News

Incentive program at Frank Maddock High School cut

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

A cut in a scholarship program, called the credit incentive program, has left some students at Frank Maddock High School upset.

"They [students] are going to do their core programs just to get out of high school and they are not going to be enriched. If students don't have a reason to go into these extra-curricular programs like art, like light and sound and advanced acting they wouldn't. So kids are going to lose out in the long run," said Grade 12 student Jeremy B. Hoelbeck.

The credit incentive program encourages students to go beyond the 100 credits that they need to get a high school diploma, and earn more credits and in return they get an incentive.

With every 135 credits, students earn \$500, for 145 cred-

its they earn \$750, and for 155 credits they get \$1,000, and all the extra money goes back to the school to be used to support education programs.

"The program was started by the staff of Frank Maddock High School. This was a program that they designed to both increase funding for the educational programs and support students," said Principal Gregg McNeil.

The cut in credit incentive program was recently announced to students at Frank Maddock High School, after the school and Wild Rose School Division exhausted all their options to change the decision that came from Alberta Education, who provide funding for the program.

"In January, it was brought to the attention of Alberta Education that some school jurisdictions were paying students directly for completion of a certain number of credits in their high school year or career. Education considered this to be a misappropriation of grant money,"

said director of communications with Alberta Education Tamara Magnan in an e-mail.

Grade 11 student Alex Mendel said students use the credit incentive program to do more than just the core programs and put the incentive toward their future.

"If this incentive program is cut then students don't thrive so then they don't earn those extra credits. So what I have seen with most students, the money they earn through the incentive program is put towards their post-secondary tuition, towards buying a house or buying a car or anything to kick start their future. So without that they have no place to start making those steps to better their future," said Mendel.

McNeil said the school doesn't just offer the incentive program. Just other programs as well that help students earn more credits.

"This is one of a variety of different programs, ways that we

encourage students to take a diverse curriculum. We have a dual credit program, a registered apprenticeship program, a green certificate program, off campus programs, so we are not just using financial incentive for students to take a diverse program. I think that's a key part because people think we are enticing stu-

dents with financial incentive," said McNeil.

Support student for Wild Rose School Division Brian Coll said the cut in program affects students.

"I am hopeful the only thing motivating student working isn't money. But realistically I know it has made an impact, the oppor-

tunity and I understand that. The opportunity for students to do a little bit of work, enrich their education and earn little bit of money that would help them with whatever it is they plan to do after they leave high school," said Coll.

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AURORA GETS IT



Mamta Lulla Western Review

Aurora Elementary School won a trophy for spending most hours away from technology on Family Day weekend. Drayton Valley PCSS along with Aim for Success were running a competition at most local schools in Drayton Valley to see which school would disconnect from technology and spend time with their families. All schools were asked to jot down their hours with Aurora students who had more than 17,000 hours. In second place was St. Anthony School that had more than 7,000 hours.



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The Town of Drayton Valley

Election of New Brazeau County Reeve

Following the recent Brazeau County by-election the Town of Drayton Valley would like to extend congratulations to the new County Reeve.

"On behalf of the Town of Drayton Valley Council and Administration, I want to congratulate both candidates in the recent Brazeau County Reeve by-election. Those who are willing to stand for public office perform an important role in the democratic process and should be recognized for their efforts," said Drayton Valley Mayor Glenn McLean.

Between Drayton Valley and Brazeau County, there are many issues in which co-operation can and should occur. With that in mind, the Town of Drayton Valley looks forward to building a constructive relationship with the new Reeve and County Council as we work on issues of common interest.

Contact: Jill Buehler, Communications & Marketing Coordinator, Town of Drayton Valley 780-514-2200 | jlbuehler@draytonvalley.ca | www.draytonvalley.ca

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



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Subdivision & Development Appeal Board Members

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CETC

Clean Energy & Technology Centre

STAFF EDUCATION & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

NorthQuest and Drayton Valley & District Community Learning Association will transition from their existing Drayton Valley Regional Campus to the CETC in late December with classes commencing in January 2016.

The new Clean Energy & Technology Centre will be Drayton Valley's local hub for business incubation, research and development, applied research and will foster the center's goals of innovation and technology based solutions for economic sustainability.

Contact NorthQuest College 780-542-5400
Contact Drayton Valley & District Community Learning Association 780-542-3373

To learn more about the CETC and its many opportunities contact Kristina Velho 780-514-2362

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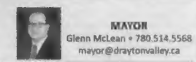
The Drayton Valley Mayor's Advisory Board is currently looking for a new member to provide feedback and recommendations to Town Council on ideas for new developments, local needs, areas of improvement & citizen's concerns to enhance the communication between the public and Council.

The Mayor's Advisory Committee currently has an opening for a TOWN RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE

If you are interested in becoming a member, please submit your application via e-mail to admin-support@draytonvalley.ca by April 7, 2015. Committee application forms can be found on the town website or can be picked up at the Town office.

Next Regular meeting of Council
Wed. APR. 1, 2015
Council Chambers, Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

Next Governance & Priorities Meeting
Wed. APR. 1, 2015
Town Office • 1:00 p.m.



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Incentives helped both students and programming

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After the students were given their share of the incentive with the program, the school was able to increase educational funding by about \$20,000 per year, which was put back into education by providing the diverse curriculum programs that are available to students and by maintaining smaller class sizes.

"That [money] goes directly to the availability of funds I have to fund the program. Keeping class sizes small and reasonable, having variety of resources like our learning commons, chrome books, fitness centre, our shops, our fine arts program both in music, drama, visual arts. It's not like making money off this, we are putting it right back into education," explained McNeil.

He said there are some programs

that run at a loss because of the low number of participants but the programs are equally important.

"If you have choir for example, with only a few students enrolled, it may not pay for the program but we need to offer that program. There are some programs that are operating at a loss, but if we don't offer those programs we have students that will be missing out on something they love doing. A graphic design course, maybe under-enrolled, but there are students who are looking at graphic design as a career," said McNeil.

Cell explained that students only get part of the incentive and the rest goes into the learning commons.

Some of the ways in the past have included transforming the library into learning commons and currently the school is working towards building a new fitness centre.

When the decision was first announced in the school, the credit incentive program was meant for all Grade 10, Grade 11 and Grade 12 students.

"This [the announcement] is three months before graduation and three months before they would get their money after spending three years of working towards it. So Grade 12s were obviously in an uproar as that happened," said Horslock.

McNeil and Cell confirmed that the announcement came around January but they were trying to exhaust all options before letting the students know about it.

After the students knew about it, a new announcement came in, exempting the current year Grade 12 students, letting them still work toward the credit incentive program.

"I guess parents made phone calls [and Grade 12 students this year were exempted]. But this still leaves Grade 10s and Grade 11s in hot water because they worked for a year or two years towards this program. To get money from this program you need to work extremely hard. You need to take your regular high school load out and double that," explained Horslock.

Horslock, who doesn't qualify for the incentive due to missing school work during his Grade 11 year because of his health, still supports Grade 10 and Grade 11 students.

"He is still vouching for us because everyone knows this is not okay," said Grade 11 student Shelby Seely.

"I have got

younger siblings who are going to be entering this school. Without this credit incentive program everything is going to start cutting back. The future generations are going to lose out. This isn't just about the \$500, or the \$1,000 for us. This is about giving back to the community. This is what we are trying to do. We are trying to teach ourselves in being able to provide and ensure future generations have something really nice to come into," added Seely.

"With cutbacks which obviously have to be made, that would probably involve cutting back teachers, obviously making class sizes bigger, which would give us less one on one time with them," said Grade 11 student Ben Anne Rich, missing out on it.

Seely, Rich and Mendivé sit at around 60 credits in their Grade 11 with the plan to reach 135 credits to qualify for \$500 incentive in their Grade 12 year a plan that now may not be possible.

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Please be advised that the Development Authority of the Town of Drayton Valley has approved the following permits with conditions:

DV13-024 2026-51 Avenue
R14 - Low Density Residential District
814-511-2222
Issued (with conditions): March 10, 2015

DV14-139 2446-50 Street
C2 - General Commercial District
Installation of Temporary Signage
Issued (with conditions): March 19, 2015

DV15-022 5212-50 Street
C1 - Central Commercial District
Installation of Signage
Issued (with conditions): March 19, 2015

APPEAL AGAINST A DECISION OF THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

An appeal may be made to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by any persons claiming to be affected by the aforementioned decisions. Written submissions stating grounds for appeal plus required fees must be received no later than 14 days after the date of Newspaper Publication.

The Town of Drayton Valley
Attn: Jennifer Martin,
Planning & Development Officer
Box 8837, 5120-51 Street Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1A1
Phone: 780-514-2200 Fax: 780-542-5753
e-mail: planning@draytonvalley.ca

Meat Lusia Western Review
(From left) Grade 10 students Justin Cooper and Kierthiwan Kumaran were using chromebooks last week while at Frank Maddock's learning commons. Both chromebooks and learning commons centre were result of funding that came from the credit incentive program.



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Brazeau County News

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- The next regular Council Meeting will be on April 7th starting at 9 am.
 - Municipal Planning Commission Meeting will be on April 14th starting at 10 am in the Council Chamber. Contact the Planning & Development Department at 780-542-2867 for further information.
 - ***Dates are subject to change.
 - Agricultural Service Board Meeting on April 15th, 2015 at 10am at the County Office.
 - ***All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public.
- Information about Brazeau County employment opportunities can be found in the employment section on our website.
- www.brazeau.ab.ca/departments/administration/employment

ATTENTION: BRAZEAU COUNTY RESIDENTS

Brazeau County has contracted Accurate Assessment Group to begin the 2015 General Assessment and Re-inspection process for the 2015 Tax Year, specifically focusing on the townships 49-7, 50-8, 49-8 and 50-7.

Please be aware that the assessors will also be conducting inspections throughout the County pertaining to development permits, subdivisions and incomplete structures. The inspections will be carried out from March 2015 through to January 2016. The assessors will be easily identifiable, as they will be carrying identification tags. If no one is present when the assessor visits your property, a call back card will be left. The County requests your co-operation in returning calls and providing the assessors with any necessary information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Tax Department at the County office at 542-7777.

NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

FILE 140-042

The following Development Permit has been issued by the Brazeau County Development Authority:

PROPOSAL: Offroad Support Services (rig tracking & offroad equipment storage) and Parking, Non-Accessory

LEGAL DESC: Lot 18, Block 6, Plan 3504 KS within NE 38-47-10-WSM, which is located in the Hamlet of Lodgepole.

Written notice of an appeal for this permit, containing reasons for the appeal, and a \$250.00 appeal fee must be received by the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, either by hand or registered mail, at the Offices of Brazeau County by 5:00 p.m., April 14, 2015.

For further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department at 780-542-2867.



From Brazeau County Council and Staff
The Administration office and Public Works shop will be closed on Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th.

REQUEST FOR SERVICE PROPOSAL

Brazeau County JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR BRAZEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY

Brazeau County invites interested contractors to submit proposals for consideration by Brazeau County to satisfy its need for the janitorial services for its administrative office and public works facility located at 7401 Twp Rd 494. Contract requirement documents may be viewed at and/or obtained from the Brazeau County Administration office or on our website at www.brazeau.ab.ca on March 17, 2015.

Proposals will be accepted until:

2:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2015

At the office of: Brazeau County
Box 77
7401 Township Road 494
Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1R1

Marked: Brazeau County Janitorial Services Proposal

Lowest or any submission will not necessarily be accepted. If interested contractors require further information or wish to view the office, please contact Tina Kwirant, Public Works Administrative Assistant (780) 542-7777 ext. 1106 or tkwirant@brazeau.ab.ca to set up an appointment.

NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

FILE 150-011

The following Development Permit has been issued by the Brazeau County Development Authority:

PROPOSAL: Existing Campground (Four (4) Resort Cottages (22.3 m²) with Decks (4.5 m²)

LEGAL DESC: Lots 10 & 11 Block 8 Plan 1989 KS within SE 5-10-10 WSM, which are located in the Hamlet of Cymbria.

Written notice of an appeal for this permit, containing reasons for the appeal, and a \$250.00 appeal fee must be received by the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, either by hand or registered mail, at the Offices of Brazeau County by 5:00 p.m., April 14, 2015.

For further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department at 780-542-2867.

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Week Ending:	Head	March 27, 2015
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Weight	Mothers	Mothers
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800-899	\$2.30 - \$2.58	\$2.10 - \$2.32
700-799	\$2.40 - \$2.81	\$2.25 - \$2.60
600-699	\$2.60 - \$3.10	\$2.45 - \$2.85
500-599	\$3.00 - \$3.32	\$2.60 - \$3.15
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300-399	\$3.25 - \$4.00	\$3.05 - \$3.50
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News

Guyon gets the support and wins the county byelection

Guyon wins by 160 votes

Sherrill Lulla
Western Review

Bart Guyon is the new Brazeau County Reeve.

"We (Guyon and his friends) were in the truck before I heard the news. I really didn't want to believe it, because honestly I didn't think I was going to win," he said.

Brazeau County byelection unofficial results were announced early last week with the numbers in favour of Bart Guyon.

According to the unofficial results, Guyon had 1,081 votes in his favour while candidate Jean Kennedy had 921 votes. Guyon achieved the victory with

about 160 votes. The county was in need of a new reeve since last fall with the resignation of Jeanne Reeves Pat Vio.

"This is all overwhelming to me. It's unexpected. It kind of boggles you as well. This isn't about me. It's always been about the people. The fact that there was overwhelming sort of activity and involvement including people who have never voted before from the youth to the seniors, in a by-election this is unheard of. To see so many votes come out and vote that's pretty amazing," said Guyon.

Kennedy was glad that the county has a new leader, someone who is a new leader, someone who is a new leader, someone who is a new leader.

and they got to vote. That's why we live in a country with a democracy," said Kennedy. "The people voted for an idea not an individual."

Guyon didn't expect the win that came his way.

"I was going to try as hard as I could but there was overwhelming people who were on the other side, that were actively campaigning and with that many people against you I really didn't think we stood a chance of winning," said Guyon.

Being the new county reeve, Guyon wants to focus on public's wants and needs and find out what they are passionate about.

"Just because we are passionate about a particular idea, we may be passionate, but the public might not be," said Guyon. "Right now we have council passing through certain things

and they may very well be good but unless you involve the public, they can step in and overturn and then you have hurt the very people you are trying

to help." He looks forward to serving the needs of the community. "Being the reeve isn't important, but the work that you do as

a reeve is important. It's about trying to do things that help the community. I think the people wake up, especially in this recession," said Guyon.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that Brazeau County Council has given first reading to Bylaw 862-15 to change the designation of part of NW 12-49-2-W5M from Agricultural (AG) and Direct Control (DC) to Direct Control (DC) as shown on the accompanying map. If approved, the change in designation will permit a variety of land use (in specific areas) on the parcel including but not limited to offroad support services, outdoor storage facility, natural resource extraction and processing, aerodrome and residential uses.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that Brazeau County Council will hold a Public Hearing at which any person claiming to be affected by the proposed redesignation may ask questions or make their views known. The Public Hearing will be held on April 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible in the Council Chambers of Brazeau County office at 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1. Any written submission mailed or delivered to Brazeau County, Box 73, 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1 or faxed to 780-542-7770 by 4:30 p.m., April 3, 2015, will be included in the Council Report. Written and oral submissions may also be made at the Council meeting without prior notification to Brazeau County. If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A copy of Bylaw 862-15 and the Direct Control District (DC) is available for public inspection at the Brazeau County Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For further information, please contact Planning & Development by telephone (780) 542-2667 or by e-mail at planning@brazeau.ab.ca.



News

ROVING REVIEW



The Drayton Valley Atom 2 team, Essential Well Services Rangeside, recently returned from Bow Island in southern Alberta, where they had a chance to pose with a copy of the Drayton Valley Western Review in front of the town's monument, Pinto Mountain.

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Wednesday, April 1
Friday, April 3

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Sunday, April 5
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 - Cost: FREE
 - Must be accompanied by an adult
 - NO Sticks and pucks permitted
 - This time slot is for the purpose of practice skating only
 - Must have skates and helmet
 - Clean indoor shoes are permitted
- KIDS' SKATE 9:30 - 10:30 am**
Wednesday, April 8th
- SHINNY PRACTICE**
12 & UNDER 1:45 - 2:45 pm
Friday, April 3rd
- SHINNY PRACTICE**
2:45 - 3:45 pm
Friday, April 3rd
- MORNING HOCKEY**
6:15 - 7:30 AM Every Wednesday
April 1st, 8th
- NOON HOCKEY**
12 NOON - 1:30 PM Every Friday
April 3rd, 10th
- PUBLIC SKATING**
WEDNESDAY, April 1st
6:30-7:45 pm
FRIDAY, April 3rd
6:30-7:45 pm
- LAST PUBLIC SKATING OF THE SEASON!**
Sunday, April 5th
1:30 - 4:30 pm
- KIDS' SKATE**
- Age: 6 & Under
 - Cost: FREE
 - Must be accompanied by an adult
 - Use of sticks and pucks are permitted
 - This time slot is for the purpose of skills practice only
 - Must have full equipment
- SHINNY PRACTICE**
Age: 12 & Under
- Cost: FREE
 - Must be accompanied by an adult
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 - This time slot is for the purpose of skills practice only
 - Must have full equipment
- SHINNY PRACTICE**
Age: 12 & Under
- Cost: \$4.00/session or \$72.00/year
 - This time slot is for the purpose of a Hockey Game
 - Must have full equipment
- MORNING AND NOON HOCKEY**
Age: 19 and over
- Cost: \$5.25/session or \$72.00/year
 - This time slot is for the purpose of a Hockey Game
 - Must have full equipment
- PUBLIC SKATING**
All ages
- Cost: FREE
 - This time slot is for the purpose of skating only
 - Please follow the Ice Skating Rules directed by the Omniplex.
 - Rules are posted in Omniplex or available at New Trail Centre

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Editorial

Are you a driver, smoker or drinker?

If you are, you're about to be hit with cost increases. When buying anything pertaining to the above because Alberta Premier Jim Prentice released his budget on March 26, one that will run on a deficit.

If you drive, (and who doesn't these days?), the gas tax just went up by four cents a litre, while gas itself continues to be relatively expensive. We had a good run on the price of gas a few months ago, but like all good things, they must come to an end sometime.

Economists have warned us the price of a barrel of oil may not increase again until some time next year, so we may have to either suck it up or go greener and find another mode of transportation to use until oil prices rise again. Despite that, Prentice made no move in this budget to increase taxes on corporations or oil royalties.

Registering a vehicle has just increased by nine dollars, and heaven help you if you break any traffic laws because the fines for infractions have now gone up by 35 per cent. Now might be a good time to put away the cell phones while driving, pay attention to the speed limits in the cities and the highways, and save yourself a

financial hit in the pocketbook.

The 'sin' tax is now a reality. As of March 26, the price of a bottle of wine has increased by 16 cents, while a 12 pack of beer will cost consumers an extra 90 cents. Look out if you smoke - price increases on cartons of cigarettes are now ranging between \$5 and \$45, depending on where you buy them. I wonder how many people will give up smoking now?

There's also a health levy in the works, but Prentice didn't go so far as to have middle and lower class Albertans pay for health care that one of his predecessors instituted a few decades ago.

Prentice may have actually listened to Albertans when they said they didn't want a Provincial Sales Tax (PST), or as it was called on television later that day, a "Political Suicide Tax."

Whether this budget is a good thing or a bad thing for Albertans remains to be seen. The only true indication of its acceptance or rejection of this budget is, if a spring election is called, will be enough to keep Prentice and his PC Party in power for four more years, or will Albertans finally say, "Enough is enough" and boot them out of office?

Travelling as a young adult with a tight budget

I like to believe that my generation is the wisest generation. I feel like more and more people my age are choosing to travel instead of going through the university-marriage-side-grandkids-retire-knowledge route of life. I do not know if I feel this way because I surround myself with like-minded people or because it really is the way young adults my age are choosing to live their lives.

There are still a few people in my group of friends who are now either engaged, happily married or awaiting new additions to their families. Sometimes, they remind me of how my time is running out and that I should probably get married and have children soon. Other times, they tell me how much they envy me for having all the time and money in the world to pursue my dream of conquering the world.

The truth is, I do not feel I make a way so I could. I am going to let you in on how I was able to travel the world with the limited time and money I have. First, I made travelling my priority. Once I have decided that I want to travel, everything else somehow fell into place. From then on, every decision I make, no matter how big or how small, is geared towards my dream of visiting every country in the world.

Next step is setting up a game plan. I figured out where I want to go and when. I also figured out how much I would need to make it possible. Once I know the answers to those, I look at my finances.

I set up a travel fund. I do not travel when I have no money saved up. One thing I have noticed is some people borrow money so



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they can travel. Personally, I would rather travel after saving money for it than travel now and worry about how I am going to pay for my travel expenses later.

I also make sure that whenever I get my paycheck, I put a definite amount in my travel fund. For example, I put \$1,000 to go to Europe one year from now. I divide that amount of money by 12 months. Every month, from my paycheck, I save \$250. I always pay myself first. If, let's say, I get paid \$1,000 a month, I make sure I only spend \$750 that month on other things. Monthly budgeting makes it easier when I know how much I am saving and how much I need to save.

I also use my travel credit card when I can collect travel points. However, I make sure that when I swipe my credit card, I have money in my checking account to pay for it right away. I do not go crazy spending away my credit card because I do not want to end up with a huge debt that will stop me from travelling. This way, I am "saving money" while spending money. I mean, why use cash when I can save points that can be converted to a free flight? Since I use my credit card religiously, after a year, I was able to fly myself from Calgary to New York for free.

When choosing a place to travel to, I choose a country or a city where I know someone. By doing so, I can possibly sleep in their couch for free. Accommodations take a huge chunk of the travel expenses so this saves me a lot of money.

Once I arrive at my chosen destination, I put myself on a budget. I divide the amount of my pocket money by the number of days I will be there and stick to it. If for some reason, I treat myself like a queen and overspend on a certain day during my trip, I make sure I make up for it by staying frugal the next day.

Understanding local is also a great way to save money and explore the place. When I do so, I do not have to pay for a tour guide and I get to experience their place through the eyes of the locals. Seeing tourist spots are fun, but I also like to get to know the place in a more in-depth manner while making friends at the same time.

When I travel, I travel for the experience. Most of the time, experiences are free. I do not spend my money on shopping, but rather try and spend my money on things that will enrich my knowledge of the people I meet and the places I visit.

With that being said, I hope I made you realize that traveling does not have to be expensive. I also hope that if you are serious about wanting to travel, the key is to make it a priority. Once it becomes your priority, you will end up making time for it now and do everything you can to put as much money as you can toward your next trip. When you want something so badly, there will be no obstacles.

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Opinion

Gratitude is attitude

The reaction by some people always brings a smile to my face when I share how many children I have. People will sometimes say "how many children do you have?" When I respond with "five children - all boys," sometimes their responses are amusing. Some of the most common responses are:

"Do you know there is surgery for that?" someone once said. "I've had my child in shock as he simply said 'five boys'." Someone else said, "Are you guys trying to have your own TV show?" One of the most shocking but sincere comments I heard was, "Was the last one an accident?" My response now is, "It's OK. We have finally splashed out and have cable TV." I can laugh about it but my children are the most precious things in my life and none of my children were accidents. Although I am not financially rich I try to give them what they desire most, time with their dad. But what I often wonder, both with my own children and with others in the community is, do we give children enough positive comments, do we work hard to build up their self-confidence and believe in them more than they believe in themselves?

Research indicates that children need seven positive comments for every one negative comment they receive. Many adults will say, "That's just not realistic" or "Obviously you have not met my child." I understand more than most how being a parent or mentor to a child can be incredibly challenging. Sometimes, like you, I feel more like a referee in a boxing match than a loving and supportive parental figure. At times coming up with one or two positive comments can be

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hard when your child has just broken your flat screen TV or been in detention for the second time this month.

However children look to us as their inspiring coach, their hope, a giving parent and we need to believe in them more than they believe in themselves. By working diligently to look for and then recognise the small things that your child has achieved each day, together, as parents, teachers, coaches, mentors and community members we can help build their inner self-worth and self-belief.

At Aim for Success we have been providing restorative justice and healing circles for many years within our local schools, but earlier this year the importance of these circles came home to our family. In January this year our family began to do circles before bed to help develop the habit of recognizing and giving positive praise and acknowledgment. Every night our family sits together on our bed in a circle and after a short prayer by one of the kids, we place our hands rock in the middle of our circle. Then when someone is ready they pick up the rock and then give it to someone in the circle and when they do so, they give a positive comment or something they are grateful for about that person. Some of the comments are simple but speak volumes such as, "Thanks mum for dinner, it was so yummy" or "Thanks brother for playing with me this afternoon. I had so much fun" to "I thank

reading to me before bed. I look forward to it."

At times like this, whenever you form habits it can feel like a chore. The process has been working and coming up with comments sometimes takes thought, but now it's become part of our evening routine. Our children will not let us miss circle time and normally the first one to finish brushing their teeth will start reminding everyone else that it's circle time.

But it's not the circle that our children love, it's the positive comments. It's the little things that we spotted them doing during the day and then the thank you they receive. The small act of a child emptying the dishwasher or reading to your child before bed, or a child helping his brother find a lost toy when no one was looking.

The northern lights are wonderful sight but they pale into comparison to seeing a child's face light up when they receive positive acknowledgment and praise.

This week, no matter what role you have within our community, I challenge you to look for the positive small things that you see people and children doing and then take two minutes of your day and say "thank you" for that small act of kindness.

Chris Lees is a Project Coordinator at Aim for Success. Visit them online at www.aimforsuccess.ca or find Aim for Success on Facebook. Aim for Success, as part of the Mental Health Capacity Building Project works in partnership with the Wild Rose School Division, Alberta Health Services and Alberta Education - for a full list of all our project partners see www.aimforsuccess.ca/partners.

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Notice is hereby given that Nomination Day is APRIL 7, 2015 and that nominations for the election of candidates for the following offices will be received at the location of the local jurisdiction office set out below between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon on Nomination Day.

Office(s)	Number of Voters	Ward / Area
Trustee	1	Ward 1 The Town of Drayton Valley and all part portion of the County of Grassano west of the North Saskatchewan River.
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Note: Nominations forms may be picked up at the Wild Rose School Division No. 66 Office at 4912 43rd Street, Rocky Mountain House, or the Wild Rose School Division website www.wildrose.ca or at any Public School in the communities of Condon, Lethbridge, Calgary, Brantford or Drayton Valley.

Completed Nominations forms must be delivered to the Wild Rose School Division office in Rocky Mountain House located at 4912 43rd St., Rocky Mountain House. A fax or other reproduction will not be accepted.

News

Bear's Train Run and Walk is back in town

Money raised will be used for the maintenance of Pembina Nordic Ski Club Trail

Justice Kimodan
Western Review

Gather your whole family, including your pets, and get your running shoes ready as the Eagle Point Annual Bear's Trail Run and Walk is back in town on May 23.

This event was born in memory of a dog named Bear who

used to enjoy walks and runs on the Pembina Nordic Ski Trail. Jeanette Radchanko, event coordinator, said there are two parts to the event.

"One is the walk or run. Some people walk it, some people run it," she said. "Then the second event is the walk with a dog."

The first part of the event starts at 10:30 a.m. and includes a five-kilometre and a 10-kilometre trail run. The second part of the event which is the five-kilometre walk with a dog starts at 10:40 a.m.

Participation in this event keeps on growing every year and brings people from outside of Drayton Valley to town. "Two years ago we had about

20 people out and then last year we had 55, so it gets people out to see the trails and get them on it," Radchanko said. "We are also getting people from Stony Plain, Edson and Devon, so we are getting people from other communities out to our trails. The trails are used a lot in the winter by skiing but they are not utilized that much in the summer."

Radchanko encourages everyone to come out and partici-

pate in the event. Tickets are \$5 for youth 12 and under and \$15 for adults. All proceeds from this event will be used for the Pembina Nordic Ski Club trail maintenance.

"Young and old and with or without an animal," she said. "Last year, we had a school group come out and so we are really encouraging school groups to come out with their running clubs."

Volunteers are also needed to help out during the event. "They can be on the finish line or they can be on the trails cheering on people and handing out water on the trail," Radchanko said.

To register for the event, visit www.2006.ca. Registration ends on May 22 at 11 p.m. For more information about the event or to volunteer, contact Jeanette Radchanko at (780)234-4912 or jrad@pembinaordic.org.



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Around the water cooler...

There will be a fundraiser Easter Branch on Sunday April 5 at the Whitty Community Hall from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be a colouring contest for

kids and all proceeds will go toward hall upgrades. Advance tickets are available at T-Bones, Rocky Rapids Store and Plaza Liquor Store.

RCMP is seeking public's help to identify a suspicious male

Monika Lalla
Western Review

Around 10:30 a.m. on March 23 a male was seen hanging around outside of a local gas station and a convenience store on 50 St. in Drayton Valley. The employees were opening the store when they noticed a suspicious male looking inside. He was wearing coveralls and a mask.

"As they opened the store they could see that this suspicious male was looking inside the store and seeing what they were doing," said Sgt. Chris Delisle. An employee went outside to see what was going on but the male had left.

"It was not cold to the point that you had to have your face covered. So we suspect that he was up to no good," noted Delisle.

As a precaution the RCMP members notified the other gas stations who were open 24 hours of the suspicious male.

RCMP is looking for more information about the suspicious male and encourage the public to come forward with any information or if they have witnessed something similar.

BREAKING INTO A BUSINESS COMPOUND
On March 21 around 4:30 p.m. RCMP received a complaint from a trucking company in Drayton Valley. Someone had broken into the company's compound by cutting the locks open on the gate. A male walked in and tried to break into a vehicle; however, he was unsuccessful due to an alarm system on the

vehicle.
RCMP is looking into the case and asks anyone with information to come forward.

STEALING BOTTLES

On March 21 at 9:30 a.m. RCMP received a complaint from a resident on 55 Ave. in Drayton Valley. The complaint was about someone stealing empty bottles from the resident's yard.

Sgt. Chris Delisle said it is better to store bottles inside because there are some people looking to steal them.

"Those people don't do any more damage or anything, but when they see the bottles they steal them," he added.

RADIAL ARM SAW STOLEN

On March 19 at 9 a.m. the RCMP got a complaint of a radial arm saw being stolen overnight. The resident is located on 47 Ave. and the saw was on their deck.

NOTHING STOLEN

On March 23 at 5:40 p.m. the RCMP received a complaint from a resident on RR 73. The door to the shop on the resident's property was open. Someone had gone through it, but it seemed nothing was missing.

MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

The RCMP received six mental health calls between March 18 and 24. Sgt. Chris Delisle said the number is higher than usual.

Drayton Valley Provincial Court briefs

Cathy Westman
Western Review

EXPENSIVE LESSON FOR DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

A man learned an expensive lesson from the judge after driving while intoxicated last year.

According to a police report, Jaleen Ellerbeck was driving down Highway 22 last October when police noticed a truck in a ditch with its engine still running. A breathalyzer test Ellerbeck revealed a blood alcohol level of 130 millilitres of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood.

Ellerbeck, 28, has no prior records and currently resides in British Columbia. In court on March 24, he pleaded guilty to a charge of not having care or control of a vehicle, while two other charges against him were dropped.

As a result of his actions, Judge Marilyn White fined Ellerbeck \$1200 plus a \$360 default and prohibited him from driving for one year. He will be eligible for the interlock program after the prohibition expires. He surrendered his licence in court.

BREACH OF PROBATION RESULTS IN MORE JAIL TIME

A woman who breached probation three times has had 90 days' jail time added to her sentence.

In July of last year, court ordered Dawn Graham to observe a curfew and not enter into any licensed premises. However, since the curfew was imposed, she was spotted in licensed premises in Drayton Valley, Burton and Thornby. Judge Marilyn White sentenced her to a total of 90 days in jail for breach of her conditions.

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News

Info session held for TFWs

Information session is one of many services offered by Temporary Foreign Worker Advisory Offices

Justine Kinnison
Western Review

A Temporary Foreign Worker Information Session was held on March 23 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Drayton Valley Provincial Building.

Information sessions such as this are organized by the Temporary Foreign Worker Advisory Office and is made for employers and temporary foreign workers.

Joseph Arulappa, facilitator and advisor for the

information session held in Drayton Valley, and several others do these presentations in Alberta as Albertans are and they may have questions as to what their rights are so it is a great opportunity for them to be able to ask someone who is knowledgeable," Fisher said. "This is outside of their work setting so it may be a little more casual and they can bring up questions and they can also see up appointments for a one-on-one interview if they do not want to raise their personal issues in public at a session like this."

There are two Temporary Foreign Worker Advisory Offices in the province, in Calgary and in Edmonton. Both offices offer services including "helping temporary foreign workers adapt to living and working in Alberta and resolving unfair, unsafe and

"Temporary foreign workers are often not as aware of the laws and regulations in Alberta as Albertans are and they may have questions as to what their rights are so it is a great opportunity for them to be able to ask someone who is knowledgeable," Fisher said. "This is outside of their work setting so it may be a little more casual and they can bring up questions and they can also see up appointments for a one-on-one interview if they do not want to raise their personal issues in public at a session like this."

There are two Temporary Foreign Worker Advisory Offices in the province, in Calgary and in Edmonton. Both offices offer services including "helping temporary foreign workers adapt to living and working in Alberta and resolving unfair, unsafe and

unhealthy working conditions by working with federal, provincial and municipal governments."

Fisher identifies the difference between how the federal government and the provincial government get involved with temporary foreign workers.

"Immigration and the temporary foreign worker program is all a federal matter. If people have questions or if they have complaints about the temporary foreign worker program, they direct those to the federal government," he said. "What Alberta's role is to try to help temporary foreign workers once they are here and that is an important distinction to understand."

For temporary foreign workers looking for advice, call 1-877-944-9555 or visit humanservices.alberta.ca/tfw.

Fire department responded to four calls

Monika Lalla
Western Review

On March 18 around 7:20 p.m. there was a residential alarm on 50 Ave. in Rocky Ridge. It was determined to be a false alarm when the fire crew arrived on scene and didn't find anything.

Drayton Valley/Braceau County Fire Services responded to a residential alarm call on March 20 at 11:44 p.m. It was a carbon monoxide alarm and the local gas company was notified. The fire crew stayed and assisted in ventilating the structure.

FALSE FUEL SPILL
On March 19 at 8:30 p.m. the fire crew members responded to a call that came from 144 Ave. in Drayton Valley. On arrival, nothing was found. There was an earlier spill that the crew had cleared up and they concluded that the vapours were from that spill.

LIFT ASSIST
Fire crews responded to a mutual aid call that came from RR 64 on March 23 around 2:45 p.m. EMS requested a lift assist with an overweight patient who suffered from laboured breath-

ing.

ICE SAFETY TIPS
Drayton Valley/Braceau County Fire Services are mailed in ice rescue. With the given weather conditions they are asking all residents to stay away from rivers, lakes and ponds or wherever there is ice melting.

When it comes to checking ice conditions it is recommended to check the temperature rather than a date. "Just because ice was safe in March last year, it doesn't mean it will be safe in March this year," said maintenance co-ordinator/captain William Gueth.

When travelling carry ropes, ice picks, water proof matches and a flotation device in case someone falls.

SURVIVING A FALL INTO ICE

Maintenance co-ordinator/captain William Gueth said the first thing if someone suffers a fall is to see if there is anyone around to call 9-1-1.

He had other advice including staying calm.

"Don't panic."

"Don't remove winter gear while inside the water. Wet winter clothing won't dry up your down."

Turn towards the direction you came so that part of the ice was able to support you prior to the fall.

"Try to place your hands on a solid surface and pull yourself up. Use an ice pick if there is one."

"Kick your feet and wiggle your torso to assist with the ice."

"Kick your feet and wiggle your torso to assist with the ice."

ICE WATER RESCUE BY A BYSTANDER

It is advised that you call 9-1-1 before attempting a rescue.

Reassuring casualties that help is on the way is a good idea.

Unable to recover the casualty from the shore, throw a rope, a branch or a jumper cable towards them. If they start to pull you in, let go and spin again.

Only venture into the ice to conduct a rescue if all basic shore techniques have failed.

Maintenance co-ordinator/captain William Gueth said to not put yourself in danger.

"An unsuccessful rescue attempt can result in two or more deaths," he added.

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EPAC joint ownership approved

By Lynn Oberle

Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre will now be jointly owned by the Town of Drayton Valley and Brazeau County, and some county residents may petition against the ownership motion taken inside county chambers.

A special Brazeau County council meeting was scheduled last week to approve the joint ownership agreement with the town along with the lease agreement.

A motion was passed to approve the ownership with Coun. Anthony Heinrich not in favour of the decision.

Last week, the Town of Drayton Valley approved the joint ownership and lease agreement on their side.

"We are prepared to start a petition to have this motion be reversed and it remains to be seen just when we get going, but it is our plan to investigate that," said Brazeau County resident Lynn Oberle.

Chief Administrative Officer for Brazeau County Marco Schoerlinger confirmed the total funding from the county towards EPAC is about \$851,000, of which the county has already contributed \$40,000 in 2011 and \$50,000 in 2013.

"I am going to say things are improving from our perspective. They spend a long time over half an hour to give away \$800,000. They don't usually take that long to give away a million, so things are improving," said Oberle.

After the meeting, residents Oberle and another county resident Garry Mastre Sr spoke with the Western Review pointing out that the meeting didn't have any public input time.

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All members urged to attend.

Local curling club puts on comedy show

By Lynn Oberle

The Drayton Valley Curling Club is hosting Comedy 2-nite on April 18 at the Drayton Valley Curling Club Lounge.

The event features two comedians, Alex Furth and Mike Dambra. "I believe they are from the Comic Strip," said Maegan Waltz, Drayton Valley Curling Club executive member and secretary. "Basically, it is a fundraiser for the curling club. We have two comedians there to put on a show and then after the comedians are done, there will be a dance."

All proceeds will be used for the club's operating expenses. "The money is going to help with the Drayton Valley Curling Club and to support various things

within the club such as the curling junior program," Waltz said.

Through this event the club also hopes to attract more people to join the curling club. "We want to draw more attention to the curling club and hopefully, get people aware that we do have a curling club and get some more people out there," said Waltz. Locals are encouraged to come out to the event and show support to the local curling club.

"It is just a fun night out, you can come with a group of friends or co-workers," Waltz said. "It is a fun night out to have some laughs."

Tickets are on sale for \$25 each. For tickets, contact Maegan Waltz at (780) 542-1088 or Sabrina Hushut at (780) 898-1488. Cocktails start at 6:30 p.m. and show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Native pest does not fall far from the tree

The apple maggot, which is a fly native to North America, has been a serious pest in Canada for over 100 years. It was identified in Edmonton in 2005 and has since infected most of the city's apple trees.

Female apple maggots deposit eggs under the apple skin. Larvae feed on it, causing the fruit to rot internally. Once one apple is infected, surrounding trees become vulnerable as well.

Apple growers have discovered that they are able to protect their orchards and eliminate the pest by spraying their trees with insecticides. If left unchecked, this pest would have a devastating impact on Canada's apple industry - which produces over 22 million bushels of this popular fruit every year.

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Top left photo shows a group photo of the Drayton Valley Velocity team after winning gold at the Ringette Alberta U19B Provincial Championship held at the Drayton Valley Omplex from March 27 to 28. The other three photos were taken during the March 28 game with Drayton Valley Velocity versus Lacombe Edge. On the March 28 game, Lacombe Edge beat Drayton Valley Velocity by a final score of 9-4. The two teams meet again in the championship game on March 29, with Drayton Valley winning gold by a final score of 12-8.



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Sports

Town RCMP beat local peewee hockey team

Hockey game served to build positive connection between youth and cops

The game was organized by Const. Taylor Coulombe, Const. Stephanie Jodanis, and Peewee A hockey team player's parent, Justin Horn.

"A challenge was put out and the RCMP members accepted. Basically, the RCMP went to take on this peewee team and see how well they can do," said Horn. "The RCMP is trying to do more of a community outreach awareness and publicity thing."

The peewee team lost against the RCMP by a final score of 7-4.

"These kids are at an age where potentially they can go one way or another, good kids, bad kids," he said. "We want them to get used to dealing with the RCMP in a positive manner and seeing these are good people out there and they are here to help and have some fun."

Although this was the first time the RCMP played a hockey game against the local Peewee team, the RCMP had been reaching out to youths in the past.

"This is the first this is being done," Horn said.

"They do other events like they took on the junior high kids in floor hockey More as a public awareness thing again and more to let the kids know that the police are out there and they are good people."

A Drayton Valley Thunder player was invited to the hockey game to serve as a referee. "We had Jordan Tupper from the Drayton Valley Thunder. He was our guest referee and he helped us have a little fun out there with these kids as well," Horn said.

"These kids look up to him and see a potential hockey player for them as to where they are going to go as well, so having his involvement is a big part for us."

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Justine Kimoden Western Review

Above: RCMP and local Peewee A hockey team posed for a photo after a friendly hockey game at the Drayton Valley Omnisplex on March 25. The game was held to encourage the youth to view local police in a positive manner.

Below: A player from the RCMP and Peewee A hockey team fight for the puck. RCMP won by a final score of 7-4.



Sports

Third place finish for Lifesavers

The club was in a provincial competition recently

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

Drayton Valley's Lifesavers Club has captured third place in provincial competition held in Spruce Grove recently.

"Fifteen teams entered in the competition. Our team placed third. Behind the Wessakwice Ocean and a team from Lethbridge. We've

never been that close to first place before," said head coach Desiree Janzen.

According to Janzen, the competition was based on a series of timed events, unlike regular swim meets where participants swim lanes. There was an obstacle event, where competitors had to swim through obstacles, another saw swimmers rescuing a mannequin from the bottom of the pool; one had participants towing a person to safety and yet another had swimmers throwing a rope to 'victims' in trouble and pulling them to safety.

"We train all year and go to dif-

ferent sanctioned competitions throughout Alberta. My group of kids enjoy it and keep coming back every year," said Janzen. "The youngest participant is seven years of age, while the oldest is 17. Anyone can join provided they can swim in the deep end and swim a lap in the pool."

For those swimmers who aren't quite ready to participate in the Lifesavers club, there is a dolphins program for them to improve on their skills. The club practices Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 6:15 p.m. and if anybody needs more information, they can contact the pool.



LOCAL TEAM PLAYED IN WHITECOURT



Photo submitted
HW Pickup Junior Boys Basketball team was in Whitecourt recently to play their last tournament of the season. The team placed in the fourth place position in the tournament and team effort.

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Sports

SPRING TRAINING CAMP



Although the Drayton Valley Thunder hockey team lined out of play-offs early, the team and coaches hosted a spring training camp at the Omni-Plex over the March 20th weekend. Participants were divided into eight teams with various coloured jerseys that saw them competing against each other during the training camp. Here, skaters from the white and baby blue jersey teams go after the puck during Friday night's session.

PARENTS AND STUDENTS PLAY TOGETHER



Maria Lulia Western Review
HW Pickup Basketball players and parents got together recently for a friendly game and a potluck afternoon.

LOCAL PLAYER PART OF WINNING SOCCER TEAM



Photo submitted
Santiago Mendez Jimenez (middle) is the only Drayton Valley resident who plays for the Red Deer soccer team called Eagles. Jimenez's team were the Central Alberta Men's Indoor Soccer League Champions. The champions game was held in Red Deer.

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NOTICE OF INSTALLATION OF SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION (SCADA) AND COMMUNICATION TOWER

In accordance with Industry Canada CPC-2-0-03 requirements, PennWest Petroleum Ltd. hereby provides notification of the planned construction of a SCADA Radio Communications Tower.

The purpose of the communications tower is to provide remote monitoring of the oil and gas field in the Cynthia, AB area. The communications network uses the tower to provide coverage for special communication that is not possible using existing towers in the area. The proposed location is at legal site: 11-22-048-09W5M.

PennWest can attest that the radio antenna system described in this notification is excluded from environmental assessment under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act.

The 60 foot, self-support tower is anticipated to be approximately 36 inches wide at the base and 18 inches wide at the top. There will be a 72.5 X 2.5 inch omnidirectional antenna and a 12 X 6 inch directional antenna mounted near the top of the tower. The tower will be designed to support additional loading for possible future antenna requirements. The overall structure height (including antennas) will be approximately 66 feet.

The tower will be authorized by Nav Canada and Transport Canada in order to be no danger to aeronautical traffic, and will not require any aeronautical obstruction markings (painting and/or lighting).

PennWest can attest that the installation will respect good engineering practices including structural adequacy.

PennWest has been advised on land-use requirements by Brazeau County, and has agreed to follow Industry Canada's Default Public Consultation Process.

General information relating to antenna systems in Canada is available on Industry Canada's Spectrum Management and Telecommunications website at: http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/h_401702.html

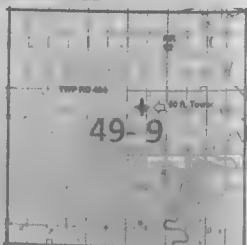
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The closing date for submission of written public comments is May 1st, 2015 (deemed to be not less than 30 days of this notice).



- approximate location of the proposed 60 ft. Radio Tower

News

Bonspiel honours man

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

The 15th annual Zorn Memorial tournament took place at the Omni-Plex in Drayton Valley over the March 20th weekend when 21 curling teams came together to have fun, remember a former resident and donate to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of North America.

According to Connie Zorn, her son Jeffrey, died of the illness and even when he was diagnosed with Rhesus Dantlos Syndrome at the age of 17, it didn't slow him down.

"He always had a smile on his face and people always remembered him and that smile," said Zorn.

When he passed away at the age of 24, four members of the Drayton Valley Curling Club - Sue Malin, Lana Paragrace, Mitzi Kobernick and Shirley Olson - approached Connie and asked if they could start a memorial tournament and silent auction in Jeffrey's name with proceeds going to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Kobernick noted the first tournament took place with some where between eight and 12 teams attending, comprised mostly of Jeffrey's friends, who raised \$1,000. Last year's event raised a total of \$22,000. A few of the participants also competed with Jeffrey as junior curlers, and some of them have gone on to compete in the Brier and World Curling Championships.

"We have 24 teams taking part this year, with a waiting list. Teams came from Drayton Valley, Calgary and Edmonton. Some of the curlers didn't know Jeff and some are beginners, but they're supporting the Make-A-Wish Foundation," she added.

Since the first memorial tournament, even more community members have become involved with the event, including Darin and Louise Robins and Lyle and Louann Holman.

"They've been helping since the first year of

the tournament and they do such an excellent job. People come and do everything they can," said Kobernick.

The format of the tournament is simple: teams play four end games for points, and when they're on the ice, they play rounds of cards in the lounge, also for points. At the end of the event, the first and second place teams from each of six pools with the highest number of points, plus the team with the least number, receive cash prizes, which Kobernick said are usually donated back to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Members of the silent auction came from families and businesses in the community, and proceeds from it are also donated back to Make-A-Wish.

This year's event began Friday night with a catered wing and micro-brewery supper, sponsored by KPS Pressure Services and catered by the White Bull. There was also a guest speaker, 13-year-old Kieran (no last name given) from Vegreville, who has both epilepsy and hydro-

cephalus. He had his wish granted recently through the Make-A-Wish Foundation to go to Disney World. He spoke about his trip and the great time he had.

Samuel's activities included a catered breakfast and lunch, more cards and curling and wrapped up in the afternoon with an awards ceremony and silent auction.

"It's very fun and we get lots of people out who don't curl, but it's very enjoyable for them. Because Jeffrey also liked hockey and peanut butter cups, some of the curlers wear their hockey jerseys during the event and his uncle, Ron Zorn, always brings in a large bag of peanut butter cups for everyone. The first year Uncle Ron brought them in, we were all crying while we were eating them, but it's a big tradition," said Kobernick.

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This curler at the Zorn Memorial Tournament takes careful aim before throwing the rock on the second day of curling.

School Notebook

COMMUNITY GARDEN
As part of the Health Champion's Project, Tomahawk School built a "community garden" in the spring of 2014. Our mission was to engage students, parents and the community at large in growing fresh garden produce. We would like to continue with this project and others in 2015. We kicked off our hanging basket plant fundraiser March 19 selling hanging floral/tomato/strawberry baskets from a reputable greenhouse in Alberta (same as last year). The proceeds from this fundraiser will support the garden as well as other wellness projects such as the purchase of Phys. Ed. equipment and Chromebooks. Baskets are 10" in diameter. Each basket sells for \$25.00. The fundraiser ends April 16th and plants will be delivered during the first week in May (just in time for Mother's Day). Please contact any student attending Tomahawk School or Barb in the school office if you wish to purchase hanging baskets.

Grade 9 students are hosting a western themed Silent Auction and Supper on Saturday, April 11 at the Whistler Hall to raise funds for their year-end trip. The doors open at 4:30pm. Get ready to start bidding and enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal. Tickets are \$15.00 or \$100.00 for a table of 8 and may be purchased from any grade 9 student or by calling Barb at the school office. Please join them for some good food and lots of fun.

Students in grades 4-9 were very excited to show off their interesting Science Fair projects to their parents March 24. Students have spent the last few weeks very engaged in designing their projects for others to try and test out. All students put forth an excellent effort. Thank you to everyone who attended, your support is appreciated.

Parents and their children are invited to join us Friday, April 10 from 1:00-1:00 p.m. for the Kinder-

garten Open House. Registration forms are available at the school office and will be accepted from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10. Your child must be four years of age by the last day of February, 2015. To register please bring your child's birth certificate or passport, Alberta Health Care card (number) and your rural address. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors if they have Kindergarten-aged children. Call Mrs. Nicholson or Mrs. Gruber at 780-339-3935 if you require further information.

Parent teacher interviews were held on March 24. Spring break started March 27 and goes to April 7.

Our lost and found boxes are full to overflowing with mitts, toques, jackets, hoodies, boots etc. If your child is missing any of these items, come in to have a look.

For current updates and photos, you can follow us on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/Soaringwithpilot.

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On Wednesday, Let's Talk Science visited Ms. Snider's and Mrs. Huske's grade four and five

classes. The grade fives were treated to some demonstrations and hands-on activities dealing with Classroom Chemistry. They used the concept of pressure created by carbon dioxide to fire rockets. The grade fours were focused on the unit, Light and Shadow. They made predictions and tested the reflective properties of materials. Ask your grade four student about how they would know if a bill of currency was counterfeit or not.

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received Christian Spirit awards at the assembly: Grade 7: Andre Uri Grade 8A: Tort Benoit, Grade 8B: Ana Bagaric. Way to go everyone!

We are accepting registrations for Preschool—Grade 8. Registration forms are available at the office or at www.stan.starcatho.lc.ab.ca.

If your child/children are currently enrolled @ St. Anthony School in Kindergarten—Grade 8, you do not need to register them again. Please make sure all information is up-to-date.

Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2015. Preschool students must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2015. If you have any questions please feel free to drop by or call the office 780-542-4396.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us as we Celebrate 50 Years of Catholic Education in Drayton Valley. Tickets for the event went on sale February 17, 2015 at St. Anthony School. For you out of towners

you can phone Georgina McGee at 780-542-4396 reserve your tickets, put a cheque in the mail upon receiving your cheque the tickets will be mailed out to you. Space is limited so get your tickets early.

I am hoping that you are able to lend a hand by making a difference for people with cancer in the Drayton Valley community. Because cancer has touched my life and

many others, I wanted to help those in our community receive local care so I started the bi-annual Shave to Save in 2009. Making sure that ALL donations went directly to the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre. To date this event has raised over \$42,000.00 for the Drayton Valley Cancer Centre.

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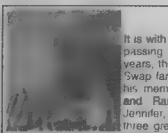
Obituaries



BRZUS, Vera Mary
1936-2015

With tremendous sadness, the family of Mrs. Vera Brzus announces her passing at the University of Alberta Hospital on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the age of 78 years. Vera was born in Ponoka, Alberta to parents, Clara and Donald Eastwood, shared her childhood with four sisters. She was the love of her life and on April 10, 1959 Vera and Rudy were united in marriage. Together, they worked very well and very hard on their farm. In their nearly 56 years of marriage, their beautiful memories would be developed by their remarkable love for one another and the family they raised. Vera will be lovingly remembered and greatly missed by her loving husband, Rudy; children, Cathy (Wade) Malkin, Karen (Mehin) Becker and Doug (Jarey); grandchildren, Kyle (Marus) Nieland, Kevin (Katie) Becker, Amanda (Paul) White, Angela (Jim) Brzus and Donnie Brzus and great-grandchildren, Layne and Shalyn White. Memories of Vera will also be cherished by her three sisters, Ethel, Connie and Hazel, daughter-in-law, Heather Brzus, numerous extended family and friends. Vera was predeceased by her son, Wayne; parents, Clara and Donald and sister, Evelyn. Vera's life was celebrated and honoured at Buck Lake Community Centre on Wednesday, March 25, 2015, with interment to follow at Siegel Hill Cemetery. Vera's family would like to extend their gratitude to the incredible medical team on Unit 5C3 at University of Alberta Hospital for the exceptional care of their wife, mother and grandmother. Memorial donations in Mrs. Vera Brzus' name may be made directly to STARS or to the Pulmonary Hypertension Association of Canada. Condolences may be sent to www.serenity.ca. Arrangements in care of Joelle Valliere, Funeral Director at www.serenity.ca.

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SWAP, Frank Owen
April 28, 1929 - March 21, 2015

It is with sadness the family of Frank Swap announce his passing on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at the age of 85 years, the last surviving member of his generation of the Swap family. Frank leaves to mourn his loss and cherish his memory, three sons, Barry (Carol), Frank (Jammie) and Randy (Joanne), seven grandchildren: Nathan, Jennifer, Edith, Kaitlyn, Frank Ross, Bonnie and Lisa, three great grandchildren: Kaydena, Logan and Salara, sisters in law Suz & Neraasen and Edna Swap, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Frank was predeceased by his wife, Edith, three brothers, Vancel, Harmon and an infant, three sisters, Edith, Mary and Mable. Funeral Services will be held on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 1:00 pm at the Easyford Community Hall with interment to follow at the Easyford Cemetery. If friends so desire, memorial donations may be made to the Lupus Society of Alberta, Suite 202, 1055 - 20 Ave NW, Calgary, AB, T2M 1E7.

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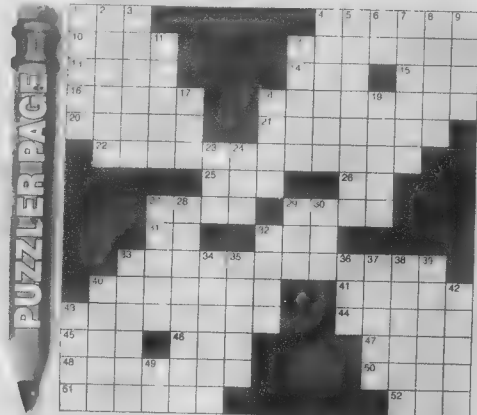


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- 46 A routine that is hard to escape

- 47 Indigo plant
- 48 Owners
- 50 Animal fluids
- 51 Muralist in his white winter coat
- 52 Communist

- 30 Atomic mass unit
- 32 Old Spanish currency (abbr)
- 33 Insurance on traditional correctness
- 34 PBS wildlife show
- 35 Measuring blocks
- 36 Don't know when yet
- 37 Ancient city from which St. Paul first sailed
- 38 Broadwinner
- 39 Go to bed
- 40 Highest in degree or quality
- 42 Tossed potato or walkway
- 43 The fruit of a tree
- 44 Yes in Spanish
- 45 Heartbeat
- 46 Rite (nubaga)
- 47 Apple (abbr)
- 48 Said as a greeting or wish
- 49 Festivals
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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
You are determined to get things done this week, Aries. You might want to start with that long list of chores that you have been putting off for some time.

Taurus - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, a challenge awaits you this week. Don't be afraid to seek help from others, as recognizing your need help is a sign that you're capable of handling the task.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, accepting too much responsibility at work is starting to affect your performance. Delay some of your more time tasks to focus on the more important ones.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, it's easy to get your way this week, but try to remain humble. Others might not be so lucky, so offer your help in any way you can.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, enthusiasm about a new plan reigns supreme. You don't need to convince others about your excitement. Just jump right in and get started on the project.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sep 22
Virgo, your generosity knows no bounds and that is a trait people love about you. Continue this positive approach to life, and your efforts will be their own reward.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, you are a powerhouse of activity this week and it's hard for others to keep up. Slow down a bit so coworkers don't fall too far behind.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, try to look at a problem through someone else's eyes. This new perspective may be just what you need to find a solution that has thus far proven elusive.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 22
Sagittarius, your confidence inspires you to try something new this week. Embrace the newfound boldness, but don't forget to keep your head on straight along the way.

CAPRICORN - Dec 23/Jan 20
Capricorn, let others know what you expect of them this week. Be clear and concise and set a firm deadline. Reward those who fulfill your expectations.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 19
Don't be afraid to step into your comfort zone this week, Aquarius. If you never try new things, success will prove elusive. Jump in with both feet.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, be subtle in your approach with friends and family members. This thoughtful approach will benefit you and those you care about.

Community Events

Mindspa
• Sit and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3002 47th St.) Exercise done from a chair. All seniors welcome.
• Live and Dine - Brain Injury Support Group meets @ Mitz's at 12:30 p.m.
• Sing at the Drayton Valley Legion. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
• Live dancing @ the Knott Hall, 7-8:30 p.m.
• Kings' Foursome, Aqua Centre, doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo at 7:30 p.m. 780-535-2423 or 780-535-5747 for information.
1st Monday
• DV Arts Club meetings, 7 p.m. 542-7320
• Arts Club meetings, (780) 621-0517
Bridges
• Arger hosts everyone. DV Family Support & Intervention Program, women & group 7 p.m. 542-6702 for more info.
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
• Royal Purple meetings, Westwind Motor Inn (upstairs), 7:30 p.m. Mores @ 542-2854 for info.
1st Tuesday
• Arger Cultural Youth Society meets @ 7 p.m. at FMSH Outreach 780-542-5396 for info.
• Arger senior, 12-12:45 p.m. @ DV Pool 505-2543 for info.
1st & 3rd Wednesdays
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• 1st & 3rd PM exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3002-47th St.) Exercise done from a chair. All seniors welcome.
2nd Wednesdays
• DV Family Support & Intervention Program, men's group 7-9 p.m. 142-4762
• DVPS meetings, 12-2 @ Church of God 542-6286 542-7651
• Meeting Herts Soup Kitchen, 11:30-30 @ Drayton Valley Royal Canadian Legion 1st Wednesdays
• Arger Regional Search and Rescue @ 7 p.m. Doors @ 780-542-2817
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• Back Creek Community Assoc. general meetings
• Arger men to the Wind meets @ River Rock (Super 8), 7 p.m. 2nd Wednesdays
• DV Citizens on Patrol Society (COPS) meets, 7 p.m. Visit www.draytonvalleycops.com to get involved
1st Wednesdays
• Inshore @ Wildwood Community Hall, Doors open 5:30 p.m.
• DV Geological Society meets, 7 p.m. @ Washing Well. For information call 780-542-5423
• Arger's ATV Club meeting, 7:30 p.m. West Penn Holdings office (5406-55 St.) Details: Phone @ 780-542-4523 for more information.
6th Wednesdays
• Max Performing Arts Centre board meeting, 2:45 p.m. on Max messenger
• Wildwood Community Hall board meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ the hall
1st Wednesdays
• DV & District Cancer Support Group meets, 11:30 a.m. Arcade room, Westwind (West of 780-542-2735 and Penn @ 780-542-5116 for info)
• DV & District Historical Society meets, 1 p.m. at senior drop-in centre
Every second Wednesdays
• Arger's 1st show stage parent support group @ Evergreen ParentLink Centre from 6-7:30 p.m. Starts Sept. 24
1st Wednesdays
• Arger's Anonymous meetings, 7 p.m. @ United Church
• Brighter Futures Indoor Playground in Violet Centre, 10-11:30 a.m. Call 780-514-5278 or 780-886-2443 for more information
• Drayton Valley Fine Art Society (DVFA) IN ROOM at the Lutheran Church 2nd Thursdays
• Maxine Lodge meetings, 7:30 p.m. (780) 542-5473
• DV Hospital Auxiliary meets, 7 p.m. @ the hospital
• General meeting for Entwistle Community Hall @ the hall starting @ 7:30 p.m. except June, July, August
2nd Thursdays
• Northern Thunder Classic Car Club meets at 7 p.m. at Westwind
• DV Hearts & Hands Quilters' Guild at Ramona Lutheran Church, at 7 p.m. Fridays
• Sit and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3002-47th St.) Exercise done from a chair. All seniors welcome.
• All Arger meets, 8 p.m. @ Pentecost Catholic Church, Cheryl @ 782-6071 for more information.
• Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets in the basement of the Church of God from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Contact @ 780-621-0516 for information.
Sundays
• Fun with tournament, 9 a.m. Big T Golf Club to Breton
1st Sunday of the month
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Secrets to keeping an organized shed

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Despite our intentions, homeowners often turn their garages into storage centers for random, little-used items, leaving little to no room for the tools and even vehicles that actually belong in a garage. Such homeowners may turn to sheds to store their garage overflow and keep yard equipment at the ready. But storage sheds are not immune to clutter, and homeowners may find the very structure erected to keep them organized requires a bit of organization itself.

A well-organized shed can save homeowners time and energy, as it's easy to abandon or delay a project if you can't find that pair of work gloves you stubbed. The first step to any organizing project is to take everything out of the shed and determine just what needs to go back in. Items that do not belong in the shed should be moved to their rightful locations or tossed in the trash if they're no longer needed. Make a pile of anything that will be kept, a separate one for donations and a third for garbage. Take inventory of what you have so you know whether you're missing any items or you have something and do not need to purchase another.

Now that the entire shed is empty, you can assess just how much room you have. Utilizing vertical and overhead space effectively can free up areas on the floor for larger equipment.

Shelving, racks, pegboards and any other materials that enable you to hang or store items off the floor are good investments. Visit your nearby home improvement retailer to find items that can simplify your storage. You also may be able to put scrap wood to use to make your own storage shelves or a workbench. Extra kitchen cabinets can be installed in the shed to organize additional items.

In order to remember where items go, label or sort them accordingly. Some people like to take organization a step further by tracing the outline of tools hung on the wall so they can be placed back in the same spot after use. This also serves as a visual reminder of which tools are missing and which ones need to be purchased.

Don't forget to utilize shed doors as additional storage space. Hang frequently used tools, such as rakes and shovels, on the inside of the doors so they will always be easily accessible.

You also can repurpose storage solutions designed for other areas of the home. For example, magnetic knife holders can be mounted to a shed wall to keep paintbrushes organized. These holders also can be used to keep many small metal tools tidy. Metal funnels can hold twine and string. Thread through the narrow end of the funnel for a handy dispenser.

Keep dangerous substances off the floor and out of reach. Gasoline, chemical fertilizers and other potentially dangerous sub-

stances should be stored high up to keep pets and children safe.

Make sure the shed floor is sturdy and level. This makes it easier to neatly store larger items. Roll in the lawnmower, wheelbarrow and any other cumbersome items. Now that more things are mounted vertically, you should find that you have more area to move around.

Taking the time to clean and organize a shed can help make any more productive.



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Get an early start with current gardening trends

Mark Cullen
Lawn and Garden Expert

Today's gardeners have different priorities than they did generations ago. Our focus has shifted to these three trends: growing-your-own, container gardening and growing an environmentally responsible garden.

With the increased demand for locally grown food, urban gardeners are growing more of their own vegetables and herbs.

This is the month to start sowing many vegetables from seed if you want to harvest your own home grown produce this summer. Seed racks in the stores are filled with a great selection this time of year. I recommend that you look them over early in the season while the selection of seeds is at its best.

Growing plants from seed is both rewarding and economical.

Sowing seeds can be as simple or as sophisticated as you choose. A sunny window can provide sufficient light or you may opt for supplemental grow lights. Plastic-covered mini greenhouses have a handy dome to help seal in moisture and encourage germination.

Light weight potting mixes, pH mix, promote optimum seedling growth. Seed starting mixes are formulated to maximize water retention while they drain well.

One of the fastest growing trends in the garden is that of growing your own vegetables grow best from seed. It is even directly into the soil come spring. A short list of veggies that will grow from seed sown directly into the soil includes: peas, beans, corn, squash, pumpkin and zucchini.

Growing Demand for Containers
I have been watching Canadian gardeners for a long time and one observation that I have is that we love to plant in containers

to spruce up the deck, patio, pathways and everywhere else that you want colour and plants above the ground.

I urge you not to plant in last year's soil, when you replant last year's containers. Not that there is anything wrong with putting it in the ground and digging it in to your existing garden soil.

Good idea. The point is that the nutrition was pulled out of the soil last year when you had plants growing in it. Container mix is specifically formulated with the demands of containerized plants in mind. Look for a quality brand that you trust.

Check out my 'Mark's Choice' container mix. It contains some interesting surprises: Calcein clay which is a natural water absorbent, compost, and sharp sand, for porosity. After you have your containers planted up add a teaspoon or so of SmartControl fertilizer. I like this stuff as it eliminates the need to mix or reapply fertilizer for the entire season. With SmartControl the granules of plant food provide a diffuse form of fertilizer every time that you water or it rains. Well named, terrific concept for the busy or forgetful gardener (which pretty much covers the whole group).

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Give them a try and let me know what you think. I have used them in the veggie garden, under newly planted perennials and in containers with great success.

Environmental awareness is no longer a trend, but a widely-accepted part of gardening life.

Those of us who enjoy gardening share a love of nature and respect the powers that make the beauty of a garden come to life. We want techniques that save water, minimize insect and disease problems, enhance the environment and improve our

soil. No wonder the sale of rain barrels, seeping/weeping garden hoses, new technology lawn sprinklers, native mulches, native plants,

grass seed, compost, and composting bins has mushroomed.

Mark Cullen appears on Canada AM every Wednesday morning at 8:40. He is the Lawn and Garden expert for Home Hardware. Sign up for his free monthly newsletter at www.markcullen.com.

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